FOR the purpose of granting to the State Board of Commissioners of Practical Plumbing the authority to reprimand, suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew the certificate or permit of licensees under certain circumstances; granting to the Board the authority to issue master plumbers' licenses by reciprocity with any subdivision or official body of this State; making technical amendments; and generally relating to the practice of plumbing.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 43 - Health Section 333 Annotated Code of Maryland (1980 Replacement Volume and 1980 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 43 - Health

333.

- (A) The Board of Commissioners may make such rules and regulations for the enforcement of the provisions of this subtitle and for the performance of their duties hereunder, from time to time, as in their judgment they may deem necessary, and they may provide for the examination of applicants for journeyman plumbers' certificates or permits, and for the issuing of certificates or permits to journeyman plumbers after passing such examination as the Commissioners may deem proper. The Commissioners shall designate them either "certificates" or "permits," as they may deem proper. They shall provide for the issuing of permits to apprentices, but journeyman plumbers and apprentices shall be authorized to work only under the direction and control of a duly certified master plumber. The certificate or permits shall be so framed as to show that journeyman plumbers and apprentices are authorized to work only as above provided.
- (B) The Board may demand and receive from each journeyman plumber the sum of \$15 at the time of issuing of the first certificate to a journeyman plumber, and the sum of \$10 for the renewal thereof each and every year thereafter, on or before the first day of May. There shall be a charge of \$5 for the issuing of permits or renewals of permits to apprentices. The Commissioners may fix the requirements of the competency and qualification of applicants, whether of master plumbers or of journeyman plumbers, as different standards, in their judgment, for different parts of the State, and may accordingly limit the certificates so as to permit the holder thereof to do plumbing work only in certain specified sections of the State, as the Commissioners may determine.